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## REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.47, Appellant respectfully requests an Oral Hearing in the above-identified Appeal. The statutory fee of \$1,080.00 is enclosed herewith.

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